

# HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 1108

By Crider

A RESOLUTION to honor and applaud Head Coach Eric Volbert and the Milan High School Lady Bulldogs basketball team on an extraordinary season.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly is pleased to specially honor and commend those successful high school teams that, through their magnificent exploits, bring honor to Tennessee and serve as exceptional ambassadors of this State; and

WHEREAS, led by Head Coach Eric Volbert, the Milan High School girls' basketball team achieved an extraordinary level of success this past season, returning to the state tournament for the first time in twenty-seven years and finishing their season as TSSAA Class AA State Runner-Up; and

WHEREAS, compiling a tremendous record of twenty-nine wins against only six losses, the Lady Bulldogs defeated Hillcrest High School, 52-47, to advance to the state tournament where they demolished Creekwood, 49-26, in the opening round and vanquished Uppermerman 64-44, in the semi-finals; and

WHEREAS, a season's worth of hard work, commitment, and basketball skill were showcased by the Lady Bulldogs in the state tournament where, despite a valiant effort, their remarkable season ended with a heartbreaking loss to Marshall County in the championship game; and

WHEREAS, the phenomenal players who comprise the Milan girls' basketball team are: Shaniqua Gray, Sarah Hamm, Dequashia Simpson, Perica Glenn, Chantel Poston, Julianne Joyner, leesha Glenn, Breanne Epperson, Crystal Bledsoe, Ashley Caldwell, and Kelsey Daniels; and

WHEREAS, no strangers to awards and accolades, Lady Bulldog Chantel Poston, Milan's first finalist for Miss Basketball, was joined on the state championship all-tournament team by her teammates Perica Glenn and Shaniqua Gray; and

WHEREAS, the dedication, determination, work ethic, and talent of this group of young women not only made possible a successful and memorable basketball season, but also surely point toward success in their future endeavors; and

WHEREAS, displaying great sportsmanship and outstanding character, the members of the Milan High School girls' basketball team conducted themselves in a manner appropriate to the integrity of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body takes great pride in the tremendous accomplishments of those student athletes who have excelled both on the court and in the classroom, now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate Head Coach Eric Volbert and the Lady Bulldogs of Milan High School on their tremendous 2007-2008 season as TSSAA Class AA Runner-Up and extend to them our best wishes for their every continued success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.